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MULTI-CHEMISTRY PLATING SYSTEM

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The specification of which:

- ☒ is attached hereto
- ☐ was filed on _____, under Serial No. _____, executed on even date herewith; or
- ☐ Express Mail No.(as Serial No. not yet known)
- ☐ and was amended on _____ (if applicable)
- ☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. _____ filed on _____ and as amended under PCT Article 19 on _____.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information I know to be material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 1.56, and which is material to the examination of this application; namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, and

- ☐ In compliance with this duty there is attached an Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98.

PRIORITY CLAIM (35 U.S.C. 119)

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, 119, of any provisional or foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below, and have also identified below any provisional or foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

- ☐ No such applications have been filed.
- ☒ Such applications have been filed as follows:

A. Prior foreign/PCT application(s) filed within 12 mos. (6 mos. for design) prior to this application, and any priority claims under 35 U.S.C. 119

<u>Country/PCT</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Date Filed</u>	<u>Priority Claimed</u>
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B. All foreign application(s), if any, filed more than 12 mos. (6 mos for design) prior to this U.S. application

Country:
Application No:
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C. U.S. Provisional Application filed within 12 months prior to this application

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
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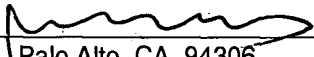
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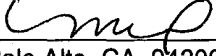
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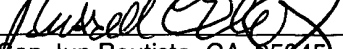
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